

DIANNE STONE

Director, Newington Senior & Disabled Center

For the past 21 years, Ms. Stone has been the Director of the Newington Senior and Disabled Center, a Department of the Town of Newington and the first senior center in the State of Connecticut to achieve Accreditation from the National Council on Aging (NCOA)/National Institute of Senior Centers (NISC). She is a past President of the Connecticut Association of Senior Center Personnel, and a former member of Executive Committee of NISC, chaired the Accreditation Board and is a certified peer reviewer. She has been appointed to several legislative task forces in the State of Connecticut including as Chair of a Senior Center Task Force and currently chairs a Task Force for transportation for older adults, adults with disabilities and veterans. She is a member of the Connecticut Commission on Women, Children and Seniors, the Connecticut Elder Action Network and the Connecticut Healthy Living Collective. She is a frequent presenter at state and national conferences and has worked to bring initiatives like the NCOA's Aging Mastery Program® and the LGBT Moveable Senior Center to scale in Connecticut. She is also a consultant in the area of aging and disability program and policy. She has a BA in Gerontology from McMaster University.